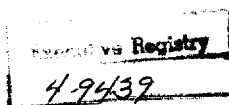


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Professor Walter W. Rostow  
50 Memorial Drive  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Walt:

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Your correspondence concerning the welfare of Chinese students and intellectuals in the United States has been discussed by interested members of this Agency. As you are possibly aware, the problems surrounding these people have been a matter of concern to us as well as interested Government agencies and private organizations. During the past several years considerable funds and effort have been expended by all concerned in assisting Chinese intellectuals to continue their studies, and eventually gain employment.

We agree that the assistance given to date has not completely solved the problem of integrating these people into our society. Although we are inclined to view this as a continuing problem, we have a more optimistic attitude toward the future. It is a known fact that many of the hardship cases which have occurred over the past several years took place while the students were continuing their studies at various universities, and hence were not interested in full-time employment. In a high percentage of cases, Government subsidies were provided, which allowed a minimum standard of living. These people with initiative and perseverance have survived, and are now self-supporting. As you have so clearly pointed out, there are exceptions, and hardship cases still exist. I believe that where the hardship concerns employment in this country, the problem can be solved by broadening the scope of the existing facilities designed to fulfill this need. Where the hardship concerns the separation of families now on the mainland of China, the solution is more difficult. We cannot encourage or condone the abolition of the current immigration regulation preventing the departure of certain Chinese aliens from this country. Where this might benefit a few true hardship cases, it would also remove the veil of protection from the entire group and leave them prey to Chinese Communist propaganda and pressure to force their return.

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We would favor further efforts to place deserving individuals in positions by expanding present placement facilities or by bringing this problem to the attention of individuals now engaged in job placement work. In my opinion, the matter should be handled by existing private organizations. However, I feel that if Government is brought in, such a task is not rightly the function or responsibility of our Agency, but rather a welfare problem to be brought to the attention of concerned governmental agencies (such as the Department of State or the Department of Health, Welfare and Education.)

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I concur that [REDACTED] would be able to contribute greatly to any such program. However, his assignment to other duties preclude this at this time.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) ALLEN W. DULLES

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